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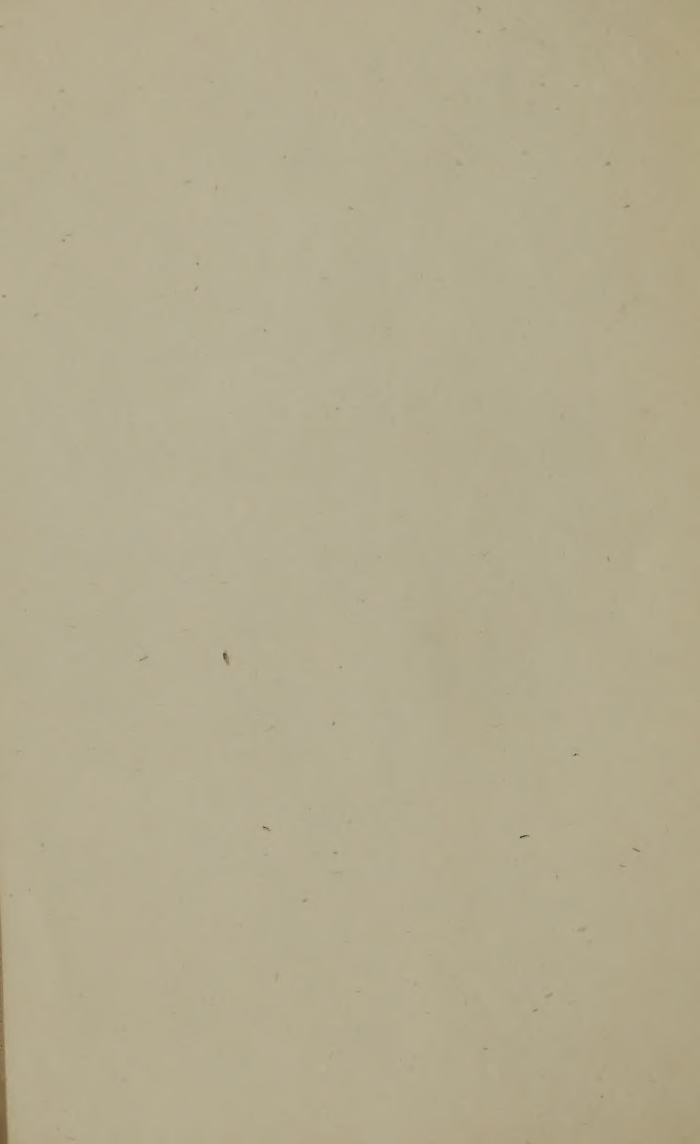
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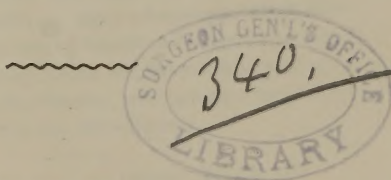
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## Middlesex Medical Society.

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THE MIDDLESEX MEDICAL SOCIETY consists of all those members of the Massachusetts Medical Society who reside in Lowell, Billerica, Ashby, Townsend, Pepperell, Dunstable, Groton, Shirley, Tyngsboro', Chelmsford, Carlisle, Littleton, Dracutt, Tewksbury, Concord and Acton.

This Society was formed in 1844 in pursuance of an Act of the Legislature passed March 1803, authorising the Massachusetts Medical Society to establish district or subordinate associations, with power to hold meetings, make by-laws, and possess apparatus, &c., independent of the Parent Society, wherein the communication of cases and experiments may be made, and the diffusion of knowledge in medicine and surgery may be encouraged and promoted.

The Library of the Society at the present time contains about seventy volumes. The meetings of its Fellows are held in Lowell, when the physicians in the District belonging to the Society have an opportunity for the agreeable and improving interchange of thoughts and opinions on medical topics; for the production and discussion of rare medical cases; for the exhibition and inspection of specimens of morbid anatomy; and for all those advantages which flow from social intercourse among liberal and enlightened men.

Any physician residing within the district, who wishes to connect himself with this Society, will become a member of the same by uniting with the State Society.

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LOWELL, Jan. 28, 1845.

At a legal meeting of the Standing Committee of the Middlesex Medical Society holden in Lowell this day, it was

*Voted*, That the Secretary prepare for the press, the By-laws with a list of the Officers and Members of this Society and cause the same to be printed, not exceeding four hundred copies, supplying each member with three copies.

Attest,

J. D. PILLSBURY, *Secretary*.

## MANNER OF ELECTION OF FELLOWS AND HONORARY MEMBERS OF THE MASS. MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Nominations of candidates for election as fellows or honorary members of the Society, shall be made to the counsellors by one or more of the fellows ; but no person resident within the limits of any established district society, shall be nominated by any one not belonging to that district. The counsellors shall, at every stated meeting, examine and act upon the list of nominations, if any such there be. Every candidate for election as fellow or honorary member, shall have been on nomination at least three months before he can be ballotted for.—[*Sec. 14, By-Laws of Massachusetts Medical Society.*

# BY-LAWS.

## SECTION I.

The annual meeting of the Middlesex District Medical Society shall be holden in Lowell on the Wednesday preceding the annual meeting of the State Society; fourteen days notice being previously given by the Secretary in two public papers printed in the district.

Seven Fellows shall constitute a quorum to transact business.

At this meeting shall be chosen by ballot, a President, a Vice President, and Secretary; a Treasurer, a Librarian, and a standing Committee consisting of three, and one Councillor to every eight Fellows within the district. They respectively shall hold their offices for the term of one year, or until their successors are chosen.

## SECTION II.

After the President has called the meeting to order, the Secretary shall read the transactions of the previous meeting and report all unfinished business.

## SECTION III.

It shall be the duty of the President, or in his absence the Vice President, to preside at all the meetings.

He shall observe all proper rules of decorum, and see,

1st. That no Fellow speaks in debate without first rising and addressing himself to the President.

2d. No Fellow shall speak a second time on one question to the prevention of any Fellow who may wish to speak.

3d. No Fellow shall interrupt another while speaking, unless to call him to order or to correct a mistake.

4th. No Fellow shall nominate more than one to the same committee, provided the first be chosen.

5th. No vote shall be reconsidered by a less number than was present when it was passed.

6th. No vote for reconsideration shall be put without notice in writing having been given at a previous meeting.

7th. No proposition for alteration of By-Laws shall be acted on unless stated in writing at a previous meeting.

8th. Attention will be given to all scientific communications, or any suggestion conducive to the interest of Medical Science.

#### SECTION IV.

There shall be regular quarterly meetings holden in Lowell on the last Wednesdays of August, November, and February, in each year; to be holden at such place as the Presiding Officer shall appoint. Special meetings shall also be called on every occasion he may think proper.

## SECTION V.

There shall be no office of profit or emolument—all duties to be gratuitous ; yet the Society may refund monies actually paid out in the discharge of the duties required by the Society, and by special vote, award a reasonable sum for the extra services of its members.

## SECTION VI.

There shall be annually chosen a committee of three, to be styled a business or standing committee, who shall examine and report on the state of the library—examine and report the state of the finances—who shall appoint some suitable person to give the annual address, and persons to give public addresses at any quarterly or special meeting they may think proper.

They shall take cognisance of any or all immoralities, or any breach of the rules and regulations of this Society.

They shall direct the Secretary in such correspondence as they may consider expedient. They shall examine all communications, and select such as are proper for publication, or to be read before the society. They shall approve all bills against the Society previous to the payment of the same.

## SECTION VII.

The Secretary shall have charge of all the Records and Laws of the Society. He shall read at the meetings of the Fellows all communications from the Standing Committee ; he shall notify

absent members of their election ; he shall answer all communications under the direction of the Standing Committee ; he shall receive and distribute all publications designed for the Fellows of the Society.

## SECTION VIII.

The Treasurer shall demand and receive all monies due the Society, together with all bequests and donations. He shall keep an accurate account of all receipts and expenditures, and his account shall be annually audited by the Standing Committee, to be by them laid before the Society at their annual meeting.

He shall pay out no monies but by the order of the Standing Committee.

## SECTION IX.

The Librarian shall have in his custody and charge, the Books, Museum, Instruments and Apparatus of the Society.

He shall keep an accurate register of, and arrange them in a proper manner, and shall make such disposal of them as the Society shall from time to time direct.

He shall make an annual report to the Standing Committee, who at the annual meeting shall lay the same before the Society, with such remarks as they shall think proper.

He shall carefully record all donations to the Society made in his department.

He shall keep a record of the delivery and receipt of books, with the dates of the same.

## SECTION X.

1st. No person shall be allowed to have or take out of the Library more than two books at one time.

2d. No book shall be kept out of the Library longer than two months, under a penalty of ten cents for each week longer than that time.

3d. Every book shall be returned into the Library at the time of the annual meeting under a penalty of fifty cents.

4th. When a book is lost or damaged it shall be replaced or paid for to the satisfaction of the Librarian or the Standing Committee.

5th. At each quarterly meeting the Librarian shall report the amount of the fines due, and the names of persons who are delinquent.

6th. Immediately after each quarterly meeting, unless otherwise ordered by a vote of the Society, the Librarian shall notify by mail, each person delinquent the amount of fines due from him.

7th. No person who is reported delinquent shall be allowed to take out any book from the Library until his fines are paid, and the book or books upon which the fines have occurred shall have been returned.

8th. Periodical works, which come in a pamphlet form, shall be delayed in the Library until taken away to be bound, except in the case of the binding being delayed in consequence of a volume not being completed, in which case the incomplete volume may be taken out.

9th. The Librarian shall attend to all purchases and importations of books, and place the same in

the Library immediately on their reception, and the Treasurer shall be authorized to pay all bills for the expenses of the Library after they are approved by the Standing Committee.

10th. All books shall have affixed the name of the Society ; and if a donation, the name of the donor, and no book shall be taken out until thus prepared.

11th. The Librarian shall, *ex officio*, be allowed to incur any reasonable expense for the care and cleansing of the room and book-shelves, and for the binding and repairing the books.

12th. No person shall be allowed to take any book from the Library, unless in the presence of the Librarian or some person by him deputed, and for violating the rule he shall be subjected to the same penalty for each volume as if he had retained it beyond the time allowed by the Library rules.

## SECTION XI.

The Standing Committee shall annually appoint some suitable person to give the annual address. A copy of every such address shall be deposited with the Secretary to be kept for the use of the Society.

## SECTION XII.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to call special meetings whenever so directed by the President, or whenever seven members shall request him so to do by a written petition. In either case he shall notify all the Fellows of the Society, either by written or printed notices to each, one week previous to the day of meeting.

## SECTION XIII.

If any Fellow of this Society becomes acquainted with the conduct of another member which he considers a breach of the rules and regulations of this Society, or the Parent Society, of which this is a branch, it shall be his duty to acquaint the Standing Committee of the same, and they shall enquire into, and report upon the same to the Society as they may deem expedient.

## SECTION XIV.

All members of this Society shall be held amenable to this Society for any infringement of the By-Laws of the Massachusetts Medical Society, or the rules and regulations of this Society.

## SECTION XV.

Whenever any member of this Society shall remove out of the District, or retire from practice, by giving notice thereof to the Secretary, he may be exempted from the payment of future assessments, but not otherwise.

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The following gentlemen were elected Officers of the Society at its organization:

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|---------------------------|-------------|----------------------------------|
| NENEZIAH CUTTER, M. D.,   | Pepperell,  | <i>President.</i>                |
| ELISHA HUNTINGTON, M. D., | Lowell,     | <i>Vice Pres't.</i>              |
| J. D. PILLSBURY, M. D.,   | "           | <i>Secretary.</i>                |
| J. P. JEWETT, M. D.,      | "           | <i>Treasurer.</i>                |
| I. W. SCRIBNER, M. D.,    | "           | <i>Librarian.</i>                |
| AUGUSTUS PIERCE, M. D.,   | Tyngsboro', | { <i>Standing<br/>Committee.</i> |
| ELISHA HUNTINGTON, M. D., | Lowell,     |                                  |
| HARLIN PILLSBURY, M. D.,  | "           |                                  |

# MEMBERS

OF THE

## Middlesex District Medical Society.

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|----------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| John O. Green,       | Lowell,     | George W. Simonds, | Littleton   |
| Isaac W. Scribner,   | "           | Amos Bancroft,*    | Groton,     |
| Cyrus S. Mann,       | "           | Amos B. Bancroft,  | "           |
| Harlin Pillsbury,    | "           | Amos Farnsworth,*  | "           |
| Jeremiah P. Jewett,  | "           | Joshua Green,      | "           |
| David Wells,         | "           | George Stearns,    | "           |
| John T. G. Leach,    | "           | Abel H. Wilder,    | "           |
| John D. Pillsbury,   | "           | John F. Tuckerman, | "           |
| Hiram Parker,        | "           | Nehemiah Cutter,   | Pepperell,  |
| William Grey,        | "           | John Walton,       | "           |
| George Mansfield,    | "           | John Bertram,      | Townsend,   |
| Josiah Curtis,       | "           | Abraham Haskell,   | Ashby,      |
| Thomas Womersly,     | "           | Alfred Hitchcock,  | "           |
| Patrick P. Campbell, | "           | Moses Kidder,*     | "           |
| Daniel Mowe,         | "           | Miles Spaulding,   | Dunstable,  |
| Nathan Allen,        | "           | Augus. T. Parker,  | Shirley,    |
| John W. Graves,      | "           | James O. Parker,   | "           |
| Otis Perham,         | "           | Augus. Pierce,     | Tyngsboro', |
| Benjamin Skelton,    | "           | Calvin Thomas,*    | "           |
| Elisha Huntington,   | "           | Joseph T. Hill,    | Billerica,  |
| John C. Dalton,      | "           | Zadock Howe,       | "           |
| Gilman Kimball,      | "           | Daniel Parker,     | "           |
| Peleg Bradley,       | Dracutt,    | Josiah Bartlett,   | Concord,    |
| Israel Hildreth,     | "           | William Gallup,    | "           |
| Henry Kittredge,     | Tewksb'ry,  | Austin Marsh,      | Carlisle,   |
| Paul Kittredge,      | Chelmsford, | Peter Goodnow,*    | Acton.      |
| John C. Bartlett,    | "           |                    |             |

\*Retired Members.

Total, 53.











## MEETINGS.

The stated meetings of this Society are four in each year, viz: on the Wednesday next preceding the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Medical Society, the last Wednesdays of August, November, and February, to be holden in Lowell: which first is the annual meeting for the election of Officers, &c.